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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request Bautsch-Gray Mine Site Jo Daviess County, Illinois

## Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. §552), I request your agency make available for inspection and photocopying the following documents and information related to the Bautsch-Gray Mine, located at or near 1000 South Blackjack Road, Galena, Jo Daviess County, Illinois 61036:

- 1. The Administrative Record for the Bautsch-Gray Mine Superfund Site, updated to current.
- 2. All information requests issued by U.S. EPA Region 5 pursuant to §104(e) of CERCLA regarding the Bautsch-Gray Mine.
- 3. All correspondence and documents received from any 104(e) recipients in response to the 104(e) information requests, other than extension requests.
- 4. All documents related to administrative orders issued regarding the Bautsch-Gray Mine, including but not limited to Unilateral Administrative Orders, Administrative Orders on Consent, or any other orders or directives issued by your agency.
- 5. All General Notice letters and Special Notice letters issued by your agency regarding the Bautsch-Gray Mine.
- 6. All responses (other than extension requests), submitted by any person or entity in response to U.S. EPA's General Notice Letters and Special Notice Letters regarding the Bautsch-Gray Mine. The scope of this request includes any "good faith offer" in response to a Special Notice Letter.

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7. All Freedom of Information Act Requests submitted to U.S. EPA Region 5 by any party seeking information relating to the Bautsch-Gray Mine.

We agree to pay reasonable search and photocopy fees associated with processing this request up to \$500, with additional funds possible upon discussion of the quantity of responsive documents. Please contact me regarding the volume of the responsive documents prior to making any photocopies or scans or if you have any questions concerning the scope or material subject to this request.

Should any records be considered exempt from disclosure under FOIA, please provide a Vaughn Index itemizing each record or portion thereof which your agency considers exempt from disclosure, along with a statement for each record listed referencing the applicable exemptions justifying the refusal to release the record(s). The production of said index should not impede the timely release of the responsive records your agency deems suitable for disclosure.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Should you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,

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